WORLD AFFAIRS AS VIEWED BY OBSERVERS ABROAD.

FINED TO RUSSIA.

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Landon, Nov. 18 .- The most hopeful sign in Russia is the fact that the worst has not yet happened. The military dictatorship, which pessimists have considered inevitable, has not yet been proclaimed, and may not come about if the labor crisis at St. Petersburg can be averted. Poland is quieter than it was, Finland is self-possessed and Count Witte may yet succeed in controlling the revolutionary party if the reactionaries do not disarm him and the moderate men offer him adequate support. Even the ablest and most patriotic statesman in Russia is helpless when he stands alone without a competent staff to carry out his orders. Count Witte may go down any day and a military dictatorship be established under the Grand Duke Nicholas, with General Trepoff as chief of staff, as the only safeguard against terrorism and panic. The revolutionary frenzy has not yet run across the frontiers and become a European movement, as in 1848, but the necessity for caution and timely compromise is perceived at Vienna, and the German battalions have been strengthened in Eastern Prussia.

NORWAY AND HER NEW KING.

The cause of constitutional monarchy having triumphed in Norway, the new king, with a queen of English birth, will be welcomed at Christiania by the crown prince of Sweden as a sign that the Scandinavian conflict has been brought to an end with neighborly good feeling. There is no proof that the German Emperor has offered resistance to the election of the Danish prince. He expects to bring Denmark within the German Empire some day and naturally does not stand between the Danish royal house and any foreign throne. Prince Charles has always been popular in England, as all the Danish princes are. The cordiality with which the King of the Hellenes has been greeted in London is not due so much to the traditional sympathy for Greek independence from the time of Canning and Lord Byron as to the popularity of his sister, Queen Alexandra.

The rumors that King Alfonso will marry a German princess are not fully credited in diplomatic circles here. There are persistent reports, especially in Catholic circles, that an English princess will be queen of Spain.

RELIEF OF THE UNEMPLOYED.

The rapidity with which the Queen's fund for the relief of the distress of the unemployed has been carried above £40,000 is a convincing proof of the force of her example. It is not mprobable that the public charity will be more munificent than ever before in calamitous times The socialists are organizing a great parade of unemployed through the West End next week for the sake of stimulating public benevolence. Politicians on the tariff reform side are disposed to exaggerate the woes of the unemployed in order to point a moral against free trade. They consider the unparalleled distress in London from the lack of employment convincing evidence that the country is not prosperous and that the work which might be done at home is done abroad under a system of unrestricted imports. Pamphlets and leaflets are already going out for the conversion of working people to the new tariff policy.

DISSOLUTION THOUGHT IMPENDING.

There has been a renewal of the energy of the workers on the government side since the party conference at Newcastle. They have returned to London with the conviction that Mr. Balfour will dissolve Parliament in January or February. They may not know what is in the Prime Minister's mind, but they understand the trend of opinion among party workers against the prolongation of the present period of indecision and apathy, since there is no longer a prospect of the enactment of a redistribution bill. Mr. Balfour is warned that he is playing a losing game in delaying the general elections and thereby increasing the Liberal majority in the next Parliament. The tariff reformers are hot for dissolution, but although Mr. Chamberlain has not named the date for a probable appeal to the force the issue upon Mr. Balfour. The Prime Minister hesitates and is not prepared to break away decisively from the free trade unionists. A general election early in the year now seems probable, but it cannot be brought about without a definite policy on the tariff question and colonial preference. It will be easier to draw up another King's speech than to formulate a programme on which the distracted party can appeal to the country and Mr. Balfour may carry out his original intention of resigning office about March 1 and compelling the Liberals to dissolve Parliament. The end of the present transition period in British politics is clearly in sight, whether in January or March.

HOLIDAY AUCTION SALES.

The holiday sales at Christie's have opened with a series of country house clearances. J. T. Gabriel's collection of early English engravings and miscellaneous assortments of Oriental porcelain and early English furniture, belonging to the heirs of Edward Cruse and Jonathan Rashleigh, in the West of England, have been rattied off at fair prices, and to-day George Brooke's pictures and drawings from Yorkshire

are under the hammer. Next week there will be heavier bidding for various collections of the Earl of Cork and Orrery, including books, autograph letters, furniture, porcelain and pictures from Marston Bigott. There are illuminated manuscripts of the fifteenth century and a remarkable group of Pope letters, but the chief relic is the prayer book of Charles I, which he presumably carried

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REVOLUTION STILL CON- | GEN. BRUGERE'S ARREST MAKES HIM POPULAR.

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Paris, Nov. 18.—General Brugere, general in chief, is to-day the most popular man in France. The soldierly manner in which he obeys the order for his fifteen days' house arrest for his personal explanation of his action in not returning the salute of General Percin is regarded as a splendid example to his subor-It should be remembered that when General Brugere, during his morning ride in the Bols de Boulogne, turned his horse so as not to meet General Percin both officers were in civilian clothes. General Percin rode after General Brugere, saying: "General, I saluted you. Why did you not return my salute?" General Brugere replied, without turning his head, "I did not see you." When both officers, upon the complaint of General Percin, were summoned simultaneously to the Ministry of War' General Brugere declined to shake hands with General Percin until the latter

the ceremony. When asked by a friend whether arrest General Brugere replied with a smile: Not a bit of it. When I was a lieutenant I got into a scrape also when in civilian dress, for which I had to submit to thirty days' arrest. was at Grenoble thirty-seven years ago, and I deserved the punishment as lieutenant exactly as I now deserve the punishment inflicted on m as generalissimo." General Brugere, who is a thorough republican, does not allow his hear to be turned by his avalanche of popularity With dignity and self-restraint he turns the cold shoulder to the Nationalists and Reactionaries who wish to make political capital out of the public sympathy and enthusiasm elicited by the general in chief's attitude. The newspaper to-day are full of skits aimed at Ceneral Percin the "Gaulois" suggesting that he should be ea rolled in the Salvation Army-"L'Armée du

RUSSIAN REFUGEES IN PARIS.

Russian refugees continue to arrive in Paris. bringing harrowing tales of misery and suffering. Count Witte is rapidly losing the confidence of French Liberal Republicans and Socialists whose opinion is voiced to-day by Senator Cle menceau, who declares that he cannot see in what way Count Witte's government is better had satisfactorily explained the charges of tale- than its predecessors. He says: "It was to pro-



KING HAAKON VII AND QUEEN MAUD OF NORWAY. Prince Charles of Denmark was elected King of Norway yesterday

bearing. General Brugere's arrast comes at an awkward moment—just when his daughter, Mile. Marie Brugere, was to be married to M. Maxime Maurange, a judge of the Court of Senlis. All the Ministers, Ambassadors and leaders of smart Parisian society had accepted invitations to the wedding, Mile. Brugere being



GENERAL HENRI BRUGERE. Commander of the French army, who has bee put under arrest.

a remarkably attractive and charming young woman. Moreover, General Brugere was to take a prominent part at the reviews, dinners, entertainments and reception of the King of Portugal in Paris. It is said to be at the personal intervention of President Loubet that the order confining General Brugere to his quarters will not go into effect until November 24. and as his daughter's wedding is fixed for the 23d this will enable the general to be present at

to the scaffold. Sir Henry Irving's books, pictures and theatrical bric-a-brac will be sold before Christmas.

WOULD KEEP VENUS IN ENGLAND.

Belated efforts are being made for the retention of Velasquez's Venus in England. The Treasury officials have been consulted respecting the possibility of obtaining a government grant for the purchase of the picture with or without private subscription. The price paid for the "Venus with the Mirror" is reported to be £36,500, but the syndicate now owning it has refused £50,000, and is expecting to get £70,000, if not more. The trustees of the National Gallery might have had it for less than the syndicate paid for it, but, although informed that it would soon be in the market, neglected to secure it. By a similar lack of energy they allowed the chance of buying Titian's portrait of Arlosto for £10,000 to pass and eventually were forced to pay £30,000, with the help of the generous subscriptions of Mrs. Astor and other patrons of art.

MRS. WORKMAN'S EXPLOITS.

Mrs. Fanny Bullock Workman, who, with American energy, has gone higher in the world than any other woman, will tell the Royal Geographical Society on Monday how she got there. Her paper will give a detailed account of the first exploration of two great Himalayan glaciers, Hoh Lomba and Sobson, and it will be discussed by eminent mountain climbers.

Mrs. Hyley's comedy, "Mrs. G.," at the Scala Theatre, is less promising than "Mice and Men," but has started with a favorable reception by a first night audience. Forbes Robertson's talents are barely half employed as an eccentric vicar trying to protect an indiscreet nursery governess against snobs and scandalmongers. Gertrude Elliot makes all that is possible out of the part of a fascinating heiress who is masquerading as a grass widow. The Covent Garden opera singers unite to-morrow in a brilliant charity concert in aid of the Italian sufferers.

The chief weekend topics are the unwonted variety of court theatricals at Windsor, the strenuous football contest between the New-Zealand blacks and the Scottish team, and a strange gambling story in high life, two rivals | terest in artistic circles is that of Mile. Picrat, for the affections of a rich widow playing for of the Comedie Française, and the painter, her hand at a prominent card club when she Guirand de Scevola, whose luminous pastels are could not decide between them. I. N. F. appreciated in France and abroad. C. I. R.

test in favor of the rights of Poland, the crushing of which would prepare the way for the annihilation of the rights of man throughout Russia itself, that the revolution, for a moment suspended, resumed its just course. Thus the old crimes against the people, for which there is no statute of limitations, come home to their authers. The Czars cruelly oppressed Poland, and it is Poland now that aids Russia to free herself from czardom. Count Witte contemplates this without being able to understand its true meaning. He has only one remedy in Poland. repression. How can this man, who seems to have lost his head, succeed where professional tyrants like General Trepoff falled? Count Witte can put an end to czardom, but he can do nothing to stop the revolution. Count Witte's programme differs from that of his predecessors only in theory. He is endeavoring to govern with new formulæ which have a strange sound from the mouth of one who until recently was a defender of autocracy, but that new formulæ require new methods seems to be beyond his comprehension. As was the case with his predecessors, he seems to believe that promises will put an end to every difficulty."

The "Petite Republique" and other Liberal papers share the views expressed by Senator

THE CZAR'S CORSICAN GUARDS.

A large number of Corsicans recently left Paris to reinforce the Czar's Corsican secret police guard, which now numbers four hundred Corsicans, whose duties are to watch over the safety of the Czar and the Imperial family. They are disguised in various ways as attendants or servants. A squad of these Corsicans is charged with surveillance of the imperial Litchens and the preparation of dishes for the Czar's table, and their chief tastes each dish before the Czar and the imperial family partake of it, as a precautionary measure against attempts to poison. It was Czar Alexander II who first formed the Corsican police guard, after the example of the first Napoleon. The heads of the Parisian police to-day still continue to be Corsicans.

ALSACE-LORRAINE AUTONOMY

Jean Jaures, M. Millerand and other French Socialists express the belief that the Russian revolutionary wave will inevitably spread to Germany and other parts of Europe just as was the case with the French revolution of 1848, and declare that it is this that makes Kaiser William so uneasy in regard to Prussian Poland. Henri Rochefort, in the "Intransigeant," recalls Emperor William's famous teast to the autonomy of the Transvaal and declares that to-day he ought to drink to the

autonomy of Poland and of Alsace-Lorraine. A new impulse to the French movement in favor of the autonomy of Alsace-Lorraine is given by the production last night at the Galety Theatre, with M. Coquelin in the leading part. of a five act play by Edmond Harancourt, drawn from Réné Bazin's Alsatian novel, "Les Oberle," presenting in a condensed and dramatic form the struggle for the cast iron military Germanization of that province. The play was forbidden by the censorship last spring during the warlike tension between France and Germany. Its production last night somewhat revives the old feelings and provides more thunder for M. Déroulède and the French League of Patriots. The play is beautifully mounted, and M. Harancourt, the author, and M. Coquelin scored a

WEDDING OF MISS WHITING

A brilliant Franco-American wedding celebrated this week was that of Miss Beatrice Whiting, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whiting, of Boston, who married Maxime San cholle Henraux at the Church of St. Honoré d'Eylau. The witness for the bride was Robert McCormick, the American Ambassador. Among those present were Mrs. McCormick, Prince Co-Mrs. Richard Corbin, Mrs. Frederick Sherman, Colonel and Mrs. Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. Audenreid, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hoft, Mrs. and Miss Ingraham, the Count and Countess Sallgnac Fenelon, Mile, de Bassano, Baron Napoleon Gourgaud, Pierre Deschamps, Countess de Coetlogan, née Blake, and the Comtesse de Montebello. Mr. Henraux has a beautiful historic chateau in Touraine, whither he sped with his young American bride in a 40-horsepower automobile immediately after the wedding recep-

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NORWAY ELECTS

Prince of Denmark Will Ascend Throne as Haakon VII.

Christiania, Norway, Nov. 18.-The Norwegian Parliament to-day unanimously elected Prince Charles of Denmark to be King of Norway. There were 116 members present. The result was declared at 5:50 p. m.

As this dispatch is filed the fortress is firing a royal salute of forty-two guns in honor of the new King.

A majority of the members of the Storthing wore evening dress at the session. The voting was viva voce, and after the result was announced the chaplain of the chamber invoked blessings upon the monarch, the Storthing and the country. With the firing of the royal salute the citizens in every quarter of the city began demonstrations of jubilation and kept them up until a late hour. The president of the Storthing was directed to communicate the result of the vote to Prince Charles of Denmark.

Christiania, Nov. 18.-A telegram from Prince Charles of Denmark was read in the Storthing to-night. It announced that he would take the name of Heakon VII, and that he would confer on his son the name of Olaf.

GERMANY AND NORWAY. Cordial Support of Election of

Prince Charles. Berlin, Nov. 18.-The election of Prince Charles of Denmark to be King of Norway will receive

the cordini support of Germany. It is already arranged that Prince Henry of Prussia, upon the Emperor's orders, will proceed with the flagship Prüssen to greet the King-elect, on November 25, on his voyage to Norway. The controversy as to who proposed the can-

didacy of Prince Charles is attracting some attention in the German press, where it is asserted that it was due to Emperor William's initiative. It is officially asserted that while the Emperor did not propose Prince Charles's candidacy, he still expressed to the King of Denmark, in course of his recent visit to Copennagon, his full acquiescence in the prince's candidacy, which had in the meantime been under discus-

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WILL TAKE NAME OF HAAKON VII. News Reaches Prince Charles at Copenhagen.

Copenhagen, Nov. 18.-A telegram announcing that the Storthing had elected Prince Charles of Denmark King of Norway was received at a dinner given by Crown Prince and Crown Princess Frederick and at which Prince Charles was present. The Crown Prince immediately drank a toast to the new monarch of Norway. It is understood that King Edward will visit the new King at Christiania early in 1906. The formal coronation will take place July 27,

FINLAND WOMEN TO VOTE

Resolution Declares Them Eligible for Membership in Diet.

Helsingfors, Finland, Nov. 18 .- At a meeting here to-day of a thousand representatives of the Constitutional party from all parts of Finland a resolution was adopted in favor of a single chamber Diet, the members to be elected from

chamber Diet, the members to be elected from all citizens over twenty-one years of age, without distinction of sex.

The meeting also resolved to telegraph to Secretary of State Linder, at St. Petersburg, calling on him to resign immediately.

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